

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

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CLERGY:

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THE CLERGY WILL ESTEEM IT A FAVOUR IF
IN CASES OF SICKNESS THEY ARE INFORMED
IMMEDIATELY.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST.

August 6th—9th Sunday after Trinity. Feast of the
Transfiguration.

August 13th—10th Sunday after Trinity. Re-opening
of the Sunday Schools.

August 20th—11th Sunday after Trinity.

August 24th—St. Bartholomew.

August 27th—12th Sunday after Trinity.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The various Sunday Schools throughout the Parish
will resume again on Sunday, August 13th; Seagoe
Morning and Edenderry Morning at 10.15 a.m., the
afternoon ones begin at 3 p.m. It is hoped that all
children attending the Sunday Schools will attend
regularly and punctually; the parents can help the
teachers considerably, by seeing that their children
leave home to be in time for the opening prayers. The
opening act of worship is one of the most important
features of a Sunday School, as it helps the children
to learn to worship. When children come in late they
disturb those who have come in time, and they them-
selves come to think that worship does not matter.

A FEW THOUGHTS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

(1) Sunday Schools exist to teach children to know
and love Christ. In contrast with Him everything else
fades into insignificance. CHRISTIANITY IS
CHRIST. Our idea of God is that He is Christ-like.
"He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father." Our
idea of goodness is that we must be Christ-like. The
Christian's aim is "to follow the example of our
Saviour Christ and to be made like unto Him." If
the Church gathers the children into Sunday Schools
and entrusts them to us to teach, it is that they may
learn about Christ, believe in Christ, and seek to be-
come like Christ.

(2) Prepare your lesson during the week. Think
about it, pray about it, but this is only half the pre-
paration needed. There is another side. A great
bishop said to a curate who asked advice about his

work. "Some men prepare their sermons; some men
prepare themselves." THE LIVING EXAMPLE OF
THE TEACHER is far more important and impressive
than the lesson. We must prepare ourselves. Words
and exhortations are worthless, unless they are backed
up by a consistent life. You yourself stand before the
child as an embodied illustration of the truth you
teach. Seeing is believing. If the class sees you
possessed by an idea, and struggling to put it into
action, they will not be unmoved. But children's eyes
are very quick to detect an inconsistency.

"He who the Truth would teach
Must first himself be true."

Two well-known sayings are worth recalling. "Teach-
ing is really a matter of contagion rather than of
instruction." "Religion is caught not taught." The
old name for teaching was pedagogy, which means
child-leading. We cannot lead anybody, unless we
tread the path first. The word "religion" means "a
link." The link between God and ourselves must be
real and strong, before we can hope to link others
up to Him. What we are, always speaks louder than
what we say. We cannot give anyone anything that
we do not ourselves possess. To have this oppor-
tunity is a sacred and tremendous responsibility. To
live up to it we need all the help we can get by
Prayer, by Public Worship, by meditating on God's
Holy Word, and by attending Holy Communion regu-
larly. May our prayer be, as we face our task afresh:—

"Live within us, Lord,
Thy mind and will be ours.
Be Thou beloved, adored,
And served with all our powers;
That so our lives may teach
Thy children what Thou art
And plead by more than speech
For Thee with every heart."

(3) Set the children a good example by being
punctual and regular yourself. The easiest way to
wreck a Sunday School class is to be absent once or
twice a month. The regular teacher has always a full
class. Think of your pupils as the men and women
of the future, who will be called to step into your
place when you and I will be gone. Use your influ-
ence to get the children to attend the House of God
once a Sunday, if this habit is formed early, the
chances are that they will remain regular worshippers
all their lives. Remember your pupils will not be
children all their lives, when they begin to work or
leave home for a position in the world, what then?
Sunday School going stops, but if they have already

formed the habit of Church attendance, there is hope that they will become faithful and life-long soldiers and servants of Jesus Christ. The power and privilege of public worship is the one thing that helps men and women to remember that "we've no abiding city here," it is the one thing that keeps before our minds the Grace of our Lord Jesus, the Love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit, the Eternal Reality above and behind a changing and perplexing world.

DISTRICT SERVICES.

Sunday, August 13th—Drumgor, at 3 p.m.

Sunday, August 27th—Hacknahay, at 3.30 p.m.

NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following subscriptions for the above:—

Mr. Frank Heasley, Twinem Terrace	..	£0 10 0
Mrs. Jos. McGloughlin, Seagoe Lower	..	0 5 0
Mr. Maginness, Breagh	..	5 0 0
Mr. D. McKane, Ballymacrandle	..	0 5 0

£6 0 0

Already acknowledged 532 3 7

Total £538 3 7

SEAGOE PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOL EXCURSION.

Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet.

INCOME.

To 472 Adult Rail Tickets	..	£59 0 0
„ 18 Tickets to Band	..	Free.
„ 218½ Adult Refreshment Tickets	..	10 18 0
„ 29 Children's Ref. (only)	..	1 4 2
„ 313 Children's Rail and Ref. Tickets	..	39 2 6
„ Balance from 1938 Excursion	..	0 2 6
Total		£110 7 2

EXPENSES.

By 794 Railway Tickets	..	£82 14 2
„ Catering A/c (Messrs. Davison)	..	26 5 0
„ Hire of Dufferin Hall	..	3 3 0
„ Insurance of Children	..	1 1 0
„ Printing Account	..	0 17 0
„ Postages	..	0 2 6
„ Bill Posting Account	..	0 2 6
„ Tips	..	0 5 0

Total £114 10 2

By Excess Expenditure over Income .. £4 3 0

W. HUTCHINSON (Secretary).

R. MC'CLEMENTS (Treasurer).

The Committee very much regret that there is a

deficit on the Excursion Account of £4 3s 0d. This is explained by the fact that the children received their Rail and Refreshment Tickets at a reduced rate, which was a dead loss of fivepence per head to the Committee. In addition out of the total number of adults, only one-half supported the Excursion by taking refreshments with the children. Also a number of adults only attended the morning meal, which meant a dead loss in this undertaking. It is to be understood that in future years no half refreshment tickets will be sold. The deficit this year will be met by an equal contribution from the funds of each Sunday School as soon as possible when they re-open in August.

SALE OF LAND.

The land recently purchased from the representatives of the late Miss Jane Collins has been divided, and the Select Vestry are retaining about 2 acres of it which surround the Church; this will permit ample room for development of the Burial ground in years to come. The house together with the remaining 3 acres has been sold and we are delighted that the purchaser is a very old and highly respected parishioner of Seagoe, Mrs. L. Walker, of Seagoe Farm.

SIDESMEN FOR AUGUST.

The following sidesmen are expected to be responsible for taking up the collection in Church during August:—

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens, Messrs. T. E. Maginnis; G. Wilson, Thos. Gracey, W. R. Sherman.

Evening Prayer—J. Walker, Wm. Hewitt, Thos. Hall, J. Rehill, Wm. H. Best, G. Nixon.

BEQUEST OF THE LATE MRS. RENNIX.

In the year 1934, the late Mrs. Rennix bequeathed in her will £20 to the Parish. Through an oversight this has been omitted from the list of bequests in the Annual Report. We regret this oversight but in future reports it will be acknowledged with the others.

C.L.B. ANNUAL SPORTS.

The above took place on Friday, June 30th, in the field kindly lent by Mrs. Best, Church Lane. Capt. Mitchell and the C.L.B. Officers took endless pains in making the arrangements for competitions, etc., which were well patronised. The evening, though cold, kept dry. At the end Mrs. Appelbe presented the prizes. At the conclusion, on behalf of the C.L.B., the rector thanked Mrs. Best for the use of the field, the audience for their presence and support, and congratulated the Captain and officers on the success of the evening.

THE PAROCHIAL HALL, EDENDERRY.

During the summer holidays the Hall Committee has taken the opportunity of having the hall re-decorated. The paint work had become dirty and the walls were much in need of attention. As we go to Press the work is well in hand; the walls are being painted green, which, together with the freshly varnished woodwork, will give a restful and pleasing effect.

Miss I. Atkinson, Hon. Treas. of the Hall Committee, would be glad of subscriptions for the replacement of the boiler in connection with the heating apparatus, which was destroyed by frost at Christmas.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The annual excursion arranged for the members took place on Thursday, July 27th, to Newcastle. About thirty-six members availed themselves of this outing and all enjoyed it very much.

There will be no meeting in August.

ORANGE ANNIVERSARY.

This annual Service was held on Sunday, July, 9th, in the Parish Church at 7 p.m. There was a very large attendance of Orangemen, and as well a very big congregation which taxed the seating capacity of the Church to its limit. The preacher was the Rev. Herbert Lindsay, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Belfast. The lessons were read by Sir William Allen, M.P.

Mrs. Casey was at the organ, and a visitor who is a highly accomplished musician was loud in praise of the choir's rendering of the musical part of the Service. Seagoe Parish can justly be proud of its choir.

SOMME ANNIVERSARY.

The 1st of July, 1916, will never be forgotten in Ulster, for on this date the Ulster Division covered itself with glory by the heroism of its men at the Battle of Somme; very many paid the supreme sacrifice, and many were maimed. On Sunday, June 25th, the usual commemoration Service took place in Seagoe Parish Church. There was a good turn-out of ex-Servicemen and members of the local Branch of the British Legion. The preacher was the Rev. W. J. E.

Dawson, M.A., of Ballymoyer. After the Service there was a short act of remembrance at the Church Gates, the Parish War Memorial, and a wreath was laid in memory of the fallen.

This year such Services have had a special significance owing to the uncertain and disturbed state of the international situation. With the thanksgiving for the valour and heroism of the men, who in 1914-1918 gave themselves to rid the world of the curse of war, there was mingled a prayer that the nations may be guided to avoid the folly of another war.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES.

Twenty members of the above met at the Rectory on Saturday afternoon, July 8th, at 3.30 p.m. Unfortunately, the weather was wet, so there was no chance of having games and tea in the open as had been planned, but instead tea and games took place indoors and all seemed to enjoy it just as well. Amongst other games, a memory test took place, in which Ena Porter scored 18 out of a possible 20 marks; Irene Gracey 17; Winifred Wortley and Ellie Hall 16; Elsie Walsh 15; Lottie Allen and Helen M'Murray 14.

Miss Sarah Montgomery helped and presented some prizes.

The work done for a Mission Hospital abroad during last year was on view, and when all together it was seen that it was well worth the hard work put into it. It resulted in the following articles for use by medical missionaries:—70 bandages; 5 purificators; 14 eye bandages; 9 knitted scarves; 1 single bed quilt; 3 cot quilts; 1 pair operation stockings; 12 gauze swabs; 2 pairs knitted cuffs. The following letter has been received from the Church Missionary Society, 6, Salisbury Square, London:—

"Dear Mrs. Appelbe,—Thank you very much for sending the bandages and other things from your G.F.S. Candidates. Everything suitable will be sent as you wish to our hospital at Toro, and I should be glad if you would pass on to your girls our very grateful thanks for their help.—Yours sincerely,

"P. M. BENNETT.

"Superintendent, Hospital Supply Department."

C.L.B. CAMP.

Thirteen members of the Seagoe Co. Training Corps are at camp as we write, in Bangor. Reports are that it is the best camp which has been held. The weather has been mixed but on the whole it could have been worse. Brian M'Court was prevented from joining his comrades at camp owing to a cycling accident, but we are glad he is progressing favourably, and we hope he will soon be well again.

OBITUARY.

This month we regret to chronicle the passing from our midst of two members of one home. Richard Maxwell was in poor health for some time and had reached a ripe old age. The following week his son Edward was called Home after a very short illness. To Mrs. Maxwell and her family we extend our deepest sympathy, and pray that they may be comforted and strengthened in their great sorrow by Him, who said "I am the Resurrection and the Life."

FIVE GOOD POINTS.

It is good for all of us to know that we are not creatures of chance or fate, but children of God, capable of fellowship with Him, and heirs of immortality if we will only hold fast to our birthright.

It is good for all of us to have firm faith and true courage; to pray for power from above; and to live as those who have been redeemed by Christ from the bondage of sin and selfishness and moral death.

It is good for all of us to take warning and encouragement from the mistakes and adventures of other men, and to bring the live histories of the Bible home to our own business and bosoms.

It is good for all of us to refrain from harsh and hasty judgment of our fellow men, and to imitate what Francis of Assisi calls "the great courtesy of God, Who maketh His sun to shine and His rain to fall upon the just and upon the unjust."

It is good for all of us not to waste our time in

speculating about those mysteries of theology which lie beyond the horizon, but rather to content ourselves with proving the value of a short creed, honestly believed and thoroughly applied.

"Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good."
(From the "C. A. Gazette.")

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God."

July 2nd—Samuel Joseph, son of Samuel and Jane Elizabeth Liggett, 21 Florence Court, Portadown.

July 2nd—Irene Louise, daughter of Herbert and Mary Jane M'Clure, 8, Carrickblacker Road, Portadown.

July 2nd—Sheila, daughter of John Joseph and Hannah Margaret Medlow, Lisniskey.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

July 6th—Thomas Henry Webb, 33, Carleton Street, Portadown, and Elizabeth Major, 26, Watson Street, Portadown.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours."

June 30th—Richard Maxwell, Bachelor's Walk, aged 76½ years.

July 4th—Edward Maxwell, Bachelor's Walk, aged 35 years.

SERVICES—THE PARISH CHURCH.

HOLY COMMUNION—1st Sunday after Morning Prayer; 3rd Sunday at 8 a.m., and on the Chief Festivals.

HOLY BAPTISM—1st Sunday of each Month at 4 p.m., and during any Service in the Parish Church, notice to be given; Two Sponsors at least are required. The father and mother must be present. Churchings are held at each Baptism. Mothers are expected to bring a thankoffering. (See Book of Common Prayer.)

MORNING PRAYER—Sundays and Chief Festivals, 11.30 a.m.

EVENING PRAYER—Sundays, 7 p.m.

DISTRICT SERVICES.

Hacknahay—Last Sunday of Month at 3.30 p.m.

Drumgor—Second Sunday of Month at 3 p.m.

Edenderry—Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Oct—Easter.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licences are issued by Ven. Archdeacon Hannon, the Rectory, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. **FEES**—By License—Labourers 5/-, Tradesmen 10/-, Merchants and Farmers £1, Professional £1. By Banns 5/-.

FUNERALS will be attended by the Clergy if proper notice be given. **SICK CASES** should be notified to the Clergy without delay. **FEES FOR CERTIFICATES**—BAPTISM 3/7, Children (Factory) 1/- and 2/- (non residents); **MARRIAGE** 3/7. An extra Search Fee is chargeable in certain cases. It will be a help to the Clergy if they are notified of the arrival of new Church families in the Parish.

A copy of the Magazine will be sent by post to any subscriber for 3/- per annum.

CLASSES, &c.

BIBLE CLASS FOR MEN in Edenderry on Sundays at 10.15 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—10.15 a.m. Edenderry Parochial Hall and Seagoe School. 3 p.m. Seagoe, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Levaghery, Hacknahay, Carne, Drumgor, Bocombra.

MOTHERS' UNION—2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE in the Parochial Hall on Tuesdays.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY in Seagoe School on Mondays at 8 p.m. as announced.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES—Oct.—Easter, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Saturdays at 3 p.m.

SEAGOE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY—Mondays, Orange Hall, at 8 p.m.

SEAGOE P.E. SCHOOL—9.15 a.m. Principal—Mr. R. Scott.